

BEFORE THE ARIZONA BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC
EXAMINERS IN MEDICINE AND SURGERY

In the Matter of)	
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JEROME P. PATRIDGE, D.O.)	PROBATION ORDER AND
)	STIPULATION
Holder of License No. 2031 for)	
the Practice of Osteopathic)	
<u>Medicine in the State of Arizona.)</u>		

This matter having come on regularly for informal interview before the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery on the 9th day of January, 1987, the licentiate, JEROME P. PATRIDGE, D.O. holder of License No. 2031 for the practice of osteopathic medicine in the State of Arizona, being duly noticed and appearing in person, and the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery having conducted its informal interview of the licentiate and having afforded the licentiate an opportunity to be heard on the issues before it, and having considered all the material evidence in the matter, and being fully advised, makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

I

The Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the practice of osteopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.

II

JEROME P. PATRIDGE, D.O., is the holder of License No. 2031 for the practice of osteopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.

III

On December 10, 1986, a urine sample was collected from Practitioner and tested positive for cocaine.

IV

On at least 2 occasions in 1986, Practitioner injected himself with 100 mg Demerol without being seen by a physician.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

V

The Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery has jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over the licentiate pursuant to A.R.S. 32-1803 and 32-1855.

VII

The conduct of Practitioner described in Paragraph III and IV above constitutes unprofessional conduct as that term is defined in ARS§32-1854.A.23, use of controlled substances or prescription-only drugs unless provided by a medical practitioner, and ARS§32-1854.A.20, any conduct or practice contrary to recognized standards of ethics of the osteopathic medical profession or any conduct or practice which does or might constitute a danger to the health, welfare or safety of the patient or public.

VIII

Grounds exist under A.R.S. §32-1855 to take disciplinary action against JEROME P. PATRIDGE, D.O.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that JEROME P. PATRIDGE, D.O. be and hereby is placed on probation for an indefinite term under the following terms and conditions:

1. Practitioner shall be evaluated by a Board approved psychiatrist in weekly visits and shall give permission to have information of his treatment released to the Board.

2. Practitioner shall submit to random bodily fluid tests obtained by the Board or its designee.

3. Practitioner shall keep a log of all medications prescribed for him or administered to himself with the date and name of the treating physician and the name and dose of the medication.

4. Practitioner shall bear the cost of the terms of probation.

5. Practitioner shall appear before the Board upon reasonable notice.

6. If Practitioner should fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, then the Board may immediately suspend License No. 2031 issued to Practitioner provided, however, that Practitioner shall be entitled to a subsequent hearing before the Board concerning only the issue of whether the terms of this Order have been violated.

7. R4-22-11 provides that any request for rehearing be filed with the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners, in writing, not later than 10 days after service of the decision. The grounds for rehearing must be specified.

ENTERED and effective this 9th day of January, 1987.

ARIZONA BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC
EXAMINERS IN MEDICINE AND SURGERY

By Madelene VanArsdell
Madelene VanArsdell
President

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By Mary L. Tucker
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Executive Director

I have reviewed the above Order of Probation and Stipulate
thereto.

Jerome P. Patridge, D.O.
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